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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Renato CARETTA et al.

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For: A METHOD FOR MAKING TIRES
FOR VEHICLE WHEELS

) Group Art Unit: 1733

) Examiner: Not yet assigned

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above-captioned application, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel, without prejudice or disclaimer, claims ~~2-20~~, and add new claims 27-55, as follows:

--27. (new) A method of making a tire, the tire comprising a carcass structure and at least one circumferentially-inextensible annular structure, comprising the steps of:

forming at least one first carcass ply of the carcass structure;

forming the at least one circumferentially-inextensible annular structure; and

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